

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF THE GRAND OPENING OF DELIRIUM CAFÉ

HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2017

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the grand opening of Delirium Café in Leesburg, Virginia, a world renowned international franchise known for its great food and extensive beer selection. Delirium Café's flagship franchise is located in Brussels, Belgium, and this grand opening marks its first location in the United States. While offering some classic dishes and beers, and yet at the same time being situated at the corner of South King Street and Loudoun Street, Delirium Café will provide its patrons with a traditional Belgian experience right here in Virginia's 10th District.

Curtis Allred, former manager of the Shoes Cup & Cork and a Leesburg native, traveled to Brussels six years ago and has since dreamed of opening a Delirium Café here in the United States. This dream started to come to fruition earlier this year, as he, his business partner, Rick Leith, and Aislin Kavaljdian, who will serve as the Assistant General Manager of Delirium Café, began working tirelessly to open the doors of this restaurant after signing their first lease on January 1, 2017. Since then, Mr. Allred has leased two additional connected spaces, and the restaurant now has the capacity to sit over 150 guests with both indoor and outdoor seating.

Delirium Café is known internationally for its beer selections, but it was important to Mr. Allred and his management team to strike a balance between offering world renowned beers and beers from local breweries. In addition to providing customers with a wide array of beverage selections, Delirium Café will also offer catering services, lease space for private events, and sell a variety of merchandise.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask that my colleagues rise and join me in applauding the Grand Opening of Delirium Café. Not only am I excited for the experiences and memories it will afford my constituents, but as the only location in the United States, I look forward to the visitors that will be drawn to downtown Leesburg, a truly vibrant area. I wish Mr. Allred, Ms. Kavaljdian, Mr. Leith, and the entire 50 person staff of Delirium Café all the best moving forward and in their future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF PASTOR VICTORIA JAMES FOR HER SERVICE ON BEHALF OF THE WASHTENAW COUNTY COMMUNITY

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2017

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Pastor Victoria James of Ekklesia

Fellowship Ministries in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Pastor James has provided spiritual guidance and support to the Ypsilanti community at large.

Pastor James works with the Ekklesia Fellowship Ministries church in Ypsilanti, which holds religious services every Sunday and also participates in a variety of different community initiatives to support groups and individuals in need. These include the annual Back to School Prayer, which provides backpacks and school supplies to needy children, as well as an annual community Thanksgiving celebration for members of the congregation and surrounding areas. Additionally, Pastor James serves as a member of the Washtenaw Faith Leaders Forum, a county-wide interfaith initiative that mobilizes and speaks out on behalf of justice and equality. She has also been an outspoken advocate of improved community relations with law enforcement and has worked with other faith leaders and law enforcement officials to address this and other issues. Collectively, Pastor James' actions have provided critical support to individuals in need throughout Washtenaw County.

Pastor James' work has had a transformative effect on the city of Ypsilanti. As a lifelong resident of Ypsilanti and longtime community leader, she has leveraged her deep knowledge of the issues affecting the city and its residents to drive positive change. Ms. James' role as a counselor of Ekklesia Fellowship Youth, a church youth group, underscores her position is a respected mentor and voice for individuals in need. Her work with Ekklesia Fellowship Ministries has helped transform countless lives, and it is my hope that she continues to play a leading role in the Ypsilanti community in the coming years.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Pastor Victoria James of Ekklesia Fellowship Ministries for her work on behalf of Washtenaw County. Pastor James has been key to the growth and development of Ypsilanti and the surrounding areas.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE HONORABLE JOE MAY

HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2017

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize the Honorable Joe May, my friend and former colleague from the House of Delegates of the Virginia General Assembly. Delegate May has had both an illustrious business career, in which he has served as the Founder, Chief Technology Officer, and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Electronic Instrumentation and Technology (EIT), and a distinguished career as a public servant as he honorably and capably represented the people of Virginia's 33rd House District for two decades.

Delegate May has dedicated most of his life serving the people of Virginia, starting with his service in the United States military. Afterwards, Delegate May became a professional engineer and has since excelled in the field of electrical engineering, as he obtained 24 patents for a variety of inventions, including, among others, a signature reproduction machine, an instrument to measure the curvature of railroad tracks, and the instrument used for measuring octane on gasoline. Then in 1977, soon after he relocated to Loudoun County, Delegate May and his wife, Bobby, founded Electronic Instrumentation and Technology (EIT), which provides electronic manufacturing and engineering services for the medical, communications, industrial process control and analytical instrument markets. EIT would later evolve into a multi-million-dollar company and has been instrumental to the development and success of Loudoun County's economy during a period when the county's economy has flourished.

In 1993, the year that would mark the advent of his political career, Delegate May was first elected to the House of Delegates from Virginia's 33rd District, which at the time included parts of Clarke, Fairfax, Fauquier, and Loudoun counties. In the House of Delegates, Delegate May's sharp business acumen and unique experience as only one of a few professional engineers in the entire General Assembly, enabled him to play an integral role in passing numerous legislative initiatives, including a bill to establish the House's Science and Technology Committee, of which he would later serve as chair. Through his time as Chair of both the Joint Commission on Technology and Science and the Science and Technology Committee, Delegate May helped promote legislation that allowed Loudoun County to become a leading innovator in the technology sector while also ensuring that western Loudoun retained its bucolic character.

For Delegate May's innumerable contributions in both his career as an entrepreneur and public servant, a remarkable number of well-deserved accolades and honors have been bestowed upon him, including being inducted into Virginia Tech's College of Engineering Academy of Engineering Excellence, being named the Loudoun Times-Mirror's Person of the Year for 2012, and being recognized as the Legislator of the Year by multiple associations, such as the Virginia Soil, Water and Conversation Districts, the Virginia Cable and Telecommunications Association, and the Virginia Biotechnology Association and Virginia Transit. Delegate May is the true embodiment of a public servant, and the residents of Virginia will benefit for years to come from his lifetime of service to the Commonwealth. It is honor to call him a friend and I wish him all the best as he continues his focus on the development and expansion of EIT and on whatever future endeavors he may pursue.

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RECOGNIZING MR. ROBERT “BOB”
MAXWELL

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2017

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Mr. Robert “Bob” Maxwell of Bend, Oregon for his outstanding military and civilian service to Oregon and our nation.

Mr. Maxwell is well known in veterans circles mostly as a WWII Medal of Honor recipient. He served with the famed 3rd Infantry Division in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and France. During the invasion of Anzio, Italy, he was wounded and acted bravely to earn his first Silver Star and Purple Heart. Shortly after being released from the Army hospital in Naples, he participated in “Operation Dragoon”—the invasion of Southern France during late August, 1944. While protecting his Battalion Headquarters with 3 other soldiers in Besancon, France on September 7, 1944, a German Infantry unit outnumbering his unit 10 to 1 attacked the outpost. Mr. Maxwell hurled his unprotected body on a German hand grenade thrown into their midst. The grenade exploded under Mr. Maxwell, saving the lives of 3 comrades and severely wounding Mr. Maxwell. For his unhesitating valor above and beyond the call of duty, he was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, a second Silver Star, a second Purple Heart, a Bronze Star and French Croix de Guerre.

Mr. Maxwell was discharged from the U.S. Army and used the “GI Bill” to earn his credentials in Automotive Technology. He worked in that profession for 32 years, teaching at Bend High School, Central Oregon College and Lane Community College. In 1970, he was named one of 5,000 outstanding educators in our nation.

Since his retirement from teaching, “Bob” has served as a Director of the Bend Heroes Foundation, and has co-chaired several veterans projects including the Bend Parade of Flags, Bend Heroes Memorial, the first-of-its-kind WWII Veterans Historic Highway, and the Oregon Medal of Honor Exhibit.

Mr. Maxwell is a passionate promoter of the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation’s “Character Development Program” now being adopted in Central Oregon schools. As devoted Christians and proponents of higher education, Mr. Maxwell and his late wife Bea initiated the Bob and Bea Maxwell Medal of Honor Scholarship program at Boise Bible College many years ago.

Mr. Maxwell celebrated his 96th birthday on October 26, 2016. He is the oldest surviving recipient of the Medal of Honor, our nation’s highest military award. It has been my privilege and honor to know and have worked with Bob Maxwell for many years.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful state and country, I wish to honor Mr. Robert D. “Bob” Maxwell for his grand accomplishments over many years.

IN RECOGNITION OF MARGARET
CRAWFORD FOR HER PIONEERING CAREER WITH LINCOLN
CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2017

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Margaret Crawford for her outstanding career with Lincoln Consolidated Schools. As school board member and president for Lincoln Schools, Ms. Crawford worked tirelessly on behalf of the school district’s students and staff.

After graduating from Wayne State University with a degree in Social Work, Ms. Crawford began her career doing case management work for the State of Michigan, eventually transitioning to work in fiscal management for Head Start. She then utilized her management and community service experience to successfully run for a seat on the school board of Lincoln Consolidated Schools. During her time on the school board, Ms. Crawford established a reputation as an effective advocate for the district’s students. As a result of her successes, Ms. Crawford was elected school board president of Lincoln Consolidated Schools, making her the first female and black president in the schools’ history. Additionally, Ms. Crawford later started the non-profit Council for Black Student Achievement, which provided academic assistance and financial support to individuals in need. These initiatives played a critical role in providing impactful aid to the district’s students.

Ms. Crawford’s work with Lincoln Consolidated Schools and in the community has helped empower countless students and improve educational outcomes. In addition to her work with the local school system, Ms. Crawford also partnered with local social and community agencies to support efforts to better serve children in the school district. Her exemplary public service and activism have left a lasting legacy in the community, and it is my hope that Lincoln Consolidated Schools can continue to build on these successes.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Margaret Crawford for her work on behalf of Lincoln Consolidated Schools. Ms. Crawford’s trailblazing career has improved the lives of countless students.

IN RECOGNITION OF KAREN
CLEVELAND

HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 15, 2017

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize an extraordinary leader, Karen Cleveland, for the incredible impact she has had on individuals, families, and communities in Northern Virginia and to congratulate her on being named Northern Virginia Family Service’s 2017 Community Champion.

Ms. Cleveland’s father, Jim Kelly, was a coach and Athletic Director at the University of Cincinnati, and she and her family not only had a strong grasp for health and wellness, but also for working with others. Accordingly,

after graduating from the University of Cincinnati in 1978, Ms. Cleveland began her career in Fairfax County teaching aerobics. She knew she wanted to engage with her community, which is why she took an executive position in the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce in 1986. She then had the opportunity, in 1988, to serve as the first Executive Director for Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce, which at the time was a start-up chamber that needed tremendous leadership to grow. At the chamber, she worked to establish business and community relationships, and her efforts included starting initiatives to host awards ceremonies, fundraisers, and more. Additionally, she then went on to serve as the executive vice president of the Association of Sales and Marketing Companies and as the president and CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia.

In 2008, Ms. Cleveland received a certificate in leadership coaching from Georgetown University and then started the Cleveland Coaching Group. As a Leadership Coach, she works with executives and emerging leaders to assist them with their personal growth and development. Now as the president and CEO of Leadership Fairfax, Inc., a community leadership development organization, Ms. Cleveland’s expertise has allowed her to empower other individuals and organizations to expand their businesses and explore new opportunities. She has received numerous impressive awards, including being named the YMCA of Metropolitan DC Volunteer of the Year, receiving the EXCEL Award for Nonprofit Leadership Excellence by the Center for Nonprofit Advancement, and more.

Ms. Cleveland’s dedication to improving and preserving businesses and leaders is evident through her illustrious career of dedication and impressive accomplishments. Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating Ms. Karen Cleveland on being named Northern Virginia Family Service’s 2017 Community Champion, and I wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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